

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

SYSTEM FOR DISTRIBUTED ERROR REPORTING
AND USER INTERACTION

On a computer cluster, a distributed object, called a console, manages all
5 interactions with users and manages error reporting. The console provides a simple
synchronous call interface that does not use any network semantics. This allows all
layers of the software to use the console.

User interaction and error reporting is enhanced by an error stack, included in the
console. The error stack can be maintained on a per client context basis. When an error
10 occurs, each layer of software can add details to the error stack. The result is the
relaying meaningful error messages to the user.

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